

House Resolution 257

By: Representatives Teilhet of the 40th, Richardson of the 19th, Manning of the 32nd, Cooper of the 41st, Tumlin of the 38th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Remembering and honoring the life of Dr. Robert Alan Lipson; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Robert Alan Lipson, M.D., was a gifted physician and a highly respected leader
3 of the Georgia medical community; and
- 4 WHEREAS, after receiving his Doctor of Medicine from Tulane University School of
5 Medicine in 1971, Dr. Lipson honorably served his country as a physician and lieutenant in
6 the U.S. Army; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Dr. Lipson put his training into the service of his fellow citizens, practicing
8 medicine in Marietta, where he lived with his family since 1976; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Dr. Lipson became a committed champion for his community and for health
10 care above and beyond his own medical practice, serving as a member of the Cobb County
11 Medical Society, the Medical Association of Georgia, the American Medical Association,
12 the Governing Council of the American Hospital Association, the Georgia State University
13 Public Health Policy Committee, and on the Board of the Georgia Department of Community
14 Health; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Dr. Lipson became President and CEO of WellStar Health System in 2001, a
16 not for profit system that he helped create and that continues to serve more than 1 million
17 people in Cherokee, Cobb, Douglas, and Paulding counties; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Dr. Lipson was instrumental in the development of the physician executive
19 Master of Business Administration program at Kennesaw State University, where he was one
20 of the program's first graduates and was a member of the advisory board for the executive
21 MBA and nursing programs; and

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Lipson became an accomplished photographer whose work was the subject
2 of public exhibition; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Lipson was honored as the *Marietta Daily Journal* '2006 Citizen of the
4 Year' in recognition of the profound impact he had on the lives of countless people; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Lipson was a loving husband to Livvy, a proud father to Aaron and Rachel,
6 and a doting grandfather to Karen; and

7 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia has lost one of its most dedicated and distinguished doctors
8 and community leaders; and

9 WHEREAS, his vision, compassion, and charm can never be replaced.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
11 GEORGIA that the members of this body join together to express their deepest regret at the
12 passing of Dr. Robert Alan Lipson and extend their most sincere condolences to his family.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
14 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Dr. Robert
15 Alan Lipson.